

## State of Louisiana

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## **State Employees Get Merit Increases**

Thousands of state employees get four percent raise as of October 1

**BATON ROUGE** – Many state employees will have more money in their next paycheck. Performance adjustments went into effect October 1, 2014 for all classified state employees who were rated successful or exceptional through the state's Performance Evaluation System and met agency and Louisiana Civil Service guidelines.

"These increases are well deserved," said Commissioner of Administration Kristy Nichols. "State employees are the foundation of Louisiana government and I'm happy we are able to recognize them for their success."

Employees who met the performance metrics required by Louisiana Civil Service guidelines were eligible for a four percent increase. As of June 27, 2014, there were 40,786 classified employees working in state government.

More than \$60 million was budgeted for the performance adjustments in the fiscal year 2015 budget.

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